



Docket No.: 4363P001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

STEPHEN BOYD, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/752,541

Filed: December 29, 2000

For: **A Parser For Signomial And Geometric Programs**

Art Group: 2124

Examiner: Tuan A. Vu

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully Petition the Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the period for response to January 13, 2005, from the Final Office Action dated September 13, 2004. The petition filing fee of \$120.00 and a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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